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DEPARTMENT PASS TO SECRETARY KISSINGER FROM GOVERNOR SCRANTON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, IV, USUN

SUBJECT: CONVERSATION WITH PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO UN  
FROM IVORY COAST

1. AMBASSADOR AKE, IVORY COAST, CALLED THIS MORNING (APRIL 28)  
FOR AN URGENT MEETING THIS AFTERNOON. A TELEPHONE CALL  
DIRECT FROM PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY TO AMBASSADOR AKE  
PERSONALLY OCCASIONED THE REQUEST:

FIRST, PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY ASSURES SECRETARY  
KISSINGER THAT ONLY HIS PERSONAL PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENTS IN  
EUROPE PREVENTED HIS BEING IN THE IVORY COAST WHEN THE  
SECRETARY WAS VISITING AFRICA. THE PRESIDENT DOES NOT TRAVEL  
BY AIRPLANE, UNLIKE THE SECRETARY OF STATE, WHOM HE ADMIRES  
ENORMOUSLY FOR MANY REASONS, BUT ESPECIALLY FOR HIS  
PERIPATETICS BY AIRPLANE. ACCORDINGLY THE PRESIDENT HAS  
A LONG TRIP TO EUROPE FOR HIS FRENCH VISIT AND NEEDS A  
FEW DAYS OF REST ON SUCH A LONG JOURNEY. AMBASSADOR AKE  
ITERATED AND REITERATED MANY TIMES THAT THE PRESIDENT  
HAS THE HIGHEST RESPECT FOR THE UNITED STATES AND LIKE-  
WISE PERSONALLY FOR PRESIDENT FORD AND SECRETARY KISSINGER,  
AND HE DEEPLY APPRECIATES AND CHERISHES THE FRIENDSHIP  
OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE IVORY COAST.

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SECOND, IN A SPECIAL AND SINCERE WAY, THE PRESIDENT HAS GREAT RESPECT FOR AMBASSADOR SMITH AND HOPED THAT HIS RECALL COULD BE CANCELLED AND THAT AMBASSADOR SMITH COULD REMAIN AS AMBASSADOR TO THE IVORY COAST. MOST OF ALL, THE PRESIDENT WANTED IT PERSONALLY RELAYED TO THE SECRETARY THAT HE HOPED THE FACT THAT HE, THE PRESIDENT, WAS NOT AVAILABLE WHEN SECRETARY KISSINGER WAS MAKING HIS TRIP TO AFRICA HAD NO "LINKAGE" WHATSOEVER TO THE RECALL OF AMBASSADOR SMITH.

2. I ASSURED AMBASSADOR AKE THAT I WOULD RELAY THIS PERSONAL MESSAGE DIRECTLY TO SECRETARY KISSINGER IMMEDIATELY.

3. PLEASE SEND DIRECT GUIDANCE TO BE USED IN RELAYING A RETURN MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT THROUGH AMBASSADOR AKE.

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NOTE BY OC/T: NOT PASSED.

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